SEVENTH DAY.—*Thursday, 21st June 1934.*

The House reassembled at 12 NOON.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS—(*Concluded*).

Messrs. Bagamane Deva Gowda (Chikmagalur Taluk); **K. Malle Gowda** and **M. Hutche Gowda** (Mudigere Taluk); **Doddamane Halappa** (Birur Municipality); and **Chandiah** and **Hanji Basappa** (Tarikere Taluk).—

Q.—34. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) What is the amount of land revenue recovered separately in each district, during each of the six months of January, February, March, April, May and June of each of the five years of 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933 and 1934?

(*b*) What is the amount of remission of wet and dry assessment granted during these years separately for each district?

(*c*) What is the amount of the arrears of revenue that remained unrecovered at the end of June of each of these years?

(*d*) In how many cases was the revenue recovered by coercives processes (by distraint and sale) during these years and what is the amount of such revenue?

(*e*) In how many cases were the notice, distraint and *isthihar* fees recovered and what is the amount of such fees (to be given separately for each year)?

(*f*) What are the facilities afforded to the raiyats on account of the present economic distress and what is the amount provided for the purpose?

(Answers to the above quesitons to be kindly given separately for each district and for each of the said five years.)

General Secretary to Government.—

A.—34. (*a*) *Vide* Statement No. 1 enclosed. (*Vide* Appendix.)

(*b*) and (*c*) *Vide* Statement No. 2 enclosed. (*Vide* Appendix.)

(*d*) *Vide* Statement No. 3 enclosed. (*Vide* Appendix.)

(*e*) *Vide* Statement No. 4 enclosed. (*Vide* Appendix.)

(*f*) Reference is invited to Government Orders No. R. 3065-75—L. R. 221-33-32, dated 23rd December 1933, No. R. 3141—R. M. 31-33-2, dated 2nd January 1934, No. R. 4425-35—L. R. 221-33-7, dated 9th March 1934, No. R. 5237-46—L. R. 221-33-10, dated 9th April 1934, and No. Fl. 6818—S. & A. 22-33-1, dated 23rd/24th April 1934, sanctioning certain measures of relief in view of agricultural depression.

A sum of Rs. 1,30,000 for awarding land improvement loans and a sum of Rs. 1,03,000 for granting takavi loans have been provided in the current year's budget.

Seasonal remissions are being liberally granted in deserving cases.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

Mr. Bagamane Deva Gowda.—

From the appendices given in answer to the question, it is seen that no remissions have been given to the raiyats in the Kadur District. What is the reason for this?

General Secretary to Government.—

Perhaps there were no cases deserving of remissions.

Mr. Bagamane Deva Gowda.—

What was the necessity for so many coercive processes unless it be that many were unable to pay and deserved remissions?

General Secretary to Government.—

Remission rules have nothing to do with coercive processes.

Mr. Bagamane Deva Gowda.—

Will the Government give remissions at least this year?

General Secretary to Government.—

There are remission rules and they will be followed.

Mr. Bagamane Deva Gowda.—

Am I to understand that remission rules were not at all applied in favour of the raiyats in the Kadur District?

General Secretary to Government.—

That may be your opinion.

Mr. Bagamane Deva Gowda.—

There are a number of cases deserving of remission in the Kadur District. Will the Government kindly promise that the cases will be sympathetically considered?

General Secretary to Government.—

The rules will be followed.

Another Member.—

What is the reason for the increase in the number of coercive measures for the recovery of assessment?

General Secretary to Government.—

Obviously the number of defaulters was more.

Mr. K. M. Krishnappa Gowda.—

Is not non-payment of assessment due to the poverty of the raiyats?

General Secretary to Government.—

Not necessarily.

Mr. K. M. Krishnappa Gowda.—

Is there not a need to relax the orders instead of taking coercive measures against the raiyats and thereby increasing their suffering?

General Secretary to Government.—

Coercive measures are necessary when default in payment of dues is made.

Mr. S. C. Mallaiya.—

Why were remissions granted only in very few cases in the Mysore District?

General Secretary to Government.—

Notice.

Mr. S. C. Mallaiya.—

Are the Government aware that remissions were not granted in all deserving cases?

General Secretary to Government.—

No.

Mr. S. C. Mallaiya.—

Has it come to the notice of Government that for the recovery of the amounts due this year, coercive measures are already being taken by the department?

General Secretary to Government.—

We will enquire into the cases if they are brought to notice.

Mr. S. C. Mallaiya.—

Have not the raiyats brought this to the notice of the Government by means of petitions?

General Secretary to Government.—

None that I can recollect just now.

Mr. S. C. Mallaiya.—

Will the Government take what action is possible in the matter?

General Secretary to Government.—

We shall consider the suggestion.

Mr. Mir Mahomed Sahib.—

Why not Government issue orders that coercive measures should be reduced and that greater sympathy should be shown by local officers?

General Secretary to Government.—

Orders on that point have already been issued.

Mr. U. Veerabasappa (Shikarpur Taluk).—

Q.—37. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Whether the rates for renewal of gun licences were revised on the recommendation of any committee or by Government themselves?